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Sri PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" As most of the tanneries are being closed down, will the Government extend this help to these labourers who want to start tanneries on a co-operative basis? "

The Hon. Sri D. SANJIVAYYA :—" Certainly, Sir."

Revision of the present electoral rolls.

* 85 Q.—Sri P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government propose to revise or renew the present electoral rolls before the elections to local boards are held?

The Hon. Sri N. SANKARA REDDI :—" It is not proposed to revise the State Assembly electoral rolls (relevant portions of which are to be used for Panchayat elections) before the ensuing elections to Panchayats. The question as to when the elections to district boards will be held is still under consideration."

Sri P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the present electoral rolls were prepared in 1948 and the revision so far made is inadequate, are the Government aware that many citizens have been left out, including persons who have come of age, that is, who have attained the age of 21? "

The Hon. Sri N. SANKARA REDDI :—" The Assembly rolls were prepared only recently and the elections to panchayats have already been ordered."

Sri B. SANKARAYYA :—" జరగబోయే స్థానికసంస్థల ఎన్నికలు రహస్య వోటింగు పద్ధతిని జనరల్ ఎలెక్షనులలోవలె జరుపుతారో లేమో మంత్రిగారు తెలుపుతారా ? "

The Hon. Sri N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Election to class I panchayats will be by secret ballot and election to class II panchayats will be by show of hands, i.e., open voting."

Sri P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" Are the Government aware of the statement made by the Law Minister to the Government of India that a detailed revision would also be undertaken in special areas, viz., urban areas and areas where there is floating labour population or where non-rehabilitated displaced persons are concentrated? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" With regard to the revision of electoral rolls now, detailed revision has been confined only to 31 urban areas called bigger towns or cities. In the other areas, it is only ordinary revision and not detailed. As far as the revision of rolls is concerned, a question may be addressed to me when I will be able to give detailed answer on this subject."

Sri P. VENKATASUBBAYYA :—" May I know when elections to district boards are due to be held? "

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THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" The question when elections to district boards are to be conducted is still under consideration."

[*Note*.—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

III.—ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF INDUSTRIES.

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, I move—

' *That, as Sri K. Brahmananda Reddi, who has not been re-elected to the present Legislative Assembly, has ceased to be a member on the Board of Industries, in accordance with section 3 (1) (b) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.*' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That, as Sri K. Brahmananda Reddi, who has not been re-elected to the present Legislative Assembly, has ceased to be a member on the Board of Industries, in accordance with section 3 (1) (*b*) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.' "

The Motion was carried.

MR. SPEAKER :—" In accordance with the regulations framed by me for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 3 p.m., Friday, the 18th July 1952, as the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election to the Board of Industries should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

" If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely, one, a poll will be taken on a date to be announced in due course."

IV.—VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 1952-53—*cont.*

(1) DEMAND VIII—IRRIGATION—*cont.*

* SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, when we were discussing the question of famine, we had been given to understand that the famine areas would be given preference in the matter of projects over other areas in the State. We expected that the Hon. the Minister for Public Works would include, in his speech, a statement on policy so far as irrigation projects were